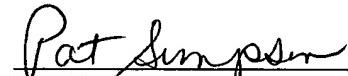


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Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, applicant respectfully requests amendment of the application as follows: